(5) About Rs. 12,000 (please see statement appended). (*Appendix III*).

Lascars of the barges attached to the Mattancheri Water Works—working hours of.

65. Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) how many hours and from what time to what time the lascars in the barges of the Mattancheri Water Works have to work daily;

(2) whether any attendance register is kept for them; and if so, whether their leaving time is noted in the register;

(3) whether they are allowed any holiday in the week;

(4) whether they are allowed any interval for their noon-day meal;

(5) whether they have to do any overtime work; and if so, what allowance they are given for the overtime work;

(6) how many hours of overtime work each of the lascars has turned out and what overtime allowance he has received during this year;

(7) whether the lascars have to do by turn overtime night work every week to fill the barges at Ernakulam;

(1) how many days' leave they are given yearly:

(9) how many shirts, trousers and topies they are given yearly;

(10) whether they are given rain coats;

(11) what the pay of a lascar is;

(12) whether the lascavs employed by Messrs. Madura Co., Pierce Leslie Co., Aspinwall & Co., in Mattancheri and British Cochin are paid at the rate of Rs. 20 per mensem and whether those lascars are given rain coats and more shirts and trousers than the lascars of the Mattancheri Water Works;

(13) whether the lascars have made a representation to the Chief Engineer with regard to their condition of work, pay and allowances?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(1) The staff have to work 8½ hours from 7 a. m. to 5 p. m, with an interval of one hour and a half.

(2) An attendance register is maintained. Leaving time is noted in the case of those who do overtime or who go before time.

(3) No.

(4) They have ample time between trips and also the interval of 1½ hours for their meals.

(5) They are given overtime allowance when they work for more than 8½ hours at the following rates.

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly

Between 1 and 2 hours	1/4 pay
Up to 4 hours	1/2 do
Do 6 hours	Full pay

(6) Statement appended. (*Appendix IV*).

(7) Yes; but in such cases, they are given 1/2 day off the next day as compensation.

(8) The grant of leave is governed by the rules relating to temporary establishment.

(9) Two sets of uniforms and a head dress.

(10) The question of giving them rain coats is being considered.

(11) Rs. 15 per month.

(12) No information is available.

(13) Yes.

Nomination of Members to Village Panchayats.

66. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there is any rule—circular or understanding that nomination to Village Panchayats will not be given to one and the same individual for successive periods;

(b) is the rule followed in practice;

(c) if there are exceptions, which are they;

(d) what exactly is the reason for the deviation in each case mentioned in (c)?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) Yes, there is an understanding.

(b) Yes, as far as practicable.

(c) Exceptions are:—

1. Mr. Pullamasseri Bava Naickan Narasimha Naickan of Kumbalanghi Panchayat.

2. Mr. K. A. Mohamed of Panjal Panchayat.

3. Mr. Subbaraya Koundan Gopalaswamy Koundan of Eruthempathy Panchayat.

(d) These were the best available candidates from these communities.

Panjal Group Panchayat—nomination of a Muslim gentleman.

67. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether there is any Muslim gentleman as a nominated member in the Panjal Group Panchayat;

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, which village does he represent now;

(c) whether this gentleman had been a nominated member in any previous occasion or occasions in this Panchayat;

LIBRARY ARCHIVES Kerala Legislative Assembly